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2008 Service Technician of the Year announced

RAPID CITY, S.D.- First Sgt. Diann Deyo, management analyst for the South Dakota National Guard Surface Maintenance Office, was awarded the Service Technician of the Year Award for her displayed excellence in job performance on Friday, May 16, at Camp Rapid.

Deyo, of Rapid City and a full-time federal employee at Camp Rapid, was nominated for this award by her supervisors Lt. Col. Barry Whitney and Chief Warrant Officer Jerry Eaton.

“Her work ethics and moral character are above and beyond. She is the hardest working person I have ever had work for me in twenty years,” said Whitney. “We have not found her breaking point yet, we keep piling it on and she keeps working.”

Whitney also continued on the importance of recognizing outstanding employees.

“It is important to show that the work that they are doing is making a difference,” said Whitney.

Deyo who has worked in this position for 18 months, said the best part of her job is the people that she works with, and also enjoys helping others whenever she can.

Deyo said she was surprised and honored when she found out that she was nominated for this award, and could not believe it when she won.

“I am completely shocked,” said Deyo.

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